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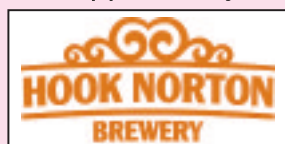
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3.30pm

Children's colouring competition inside Banbury Museum closes - judging takes place

3.50pm

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HERO WHO FOILED RAID

By Jamie Brooks

A HAVE-A-GO hero who rugby-tackled a robber in a busy shopping street has described how he pinned the suspect to the ground.

Former police officer Remzi Skepi picked up a metal sign and hurled it at one of the suspects before being knocked down by another on a motorbike.

But he managed to jump up, tackle the robber and pin him to the ground – keeping him there for seven minutes until police arrived.

Mr Skepi, who is Albanian, was one of the first on the scene after the Michael Jones jewellers shop in Banbury was raided on Tuesday, September 11.

The 55-year-old was in Lloyds Bank when he heard a commotion outside.

At first, the Trousdale Bakery Company employee, who speaks little English, didn't realise the jewellers in Banbury High Street was being raided.

But he decided to act when he heard women and children screaming and saw suspects on motorbikes.

Speaking through an interpreter, Mr Skepi said: "They were scaring women and children with their wild revving."

"When I went to see what was happening, one of the motorbike riders swore at me and said 'I'm going to kill you'." Mr Skepi said he then picked up a metal A-board from a

nearby shop and hurled it at one of the riders, hitting him on the helmet and causing his motorbike to swerve.

At that point a second motorbike struck Mr Skepi, causing him to fall to the ground.

Then, as the second motorcycle rider tried to escape, he fell off his bike – and former Albanian police officer Mr Skepi struggled to his feet and jumped on the man, pinning him down.

Mr Skepi, who has lived in Banbury for eight years, said he had to wait another seven minutes before the police arrived on the scene.

He added: "I feared for my life as I was the only one who was holding him down."

The other suspects then fled the scene.

A passerby took Mr Skepi to hospital, where doctors found he had suffered a fractured left leg – after being struck by the bike.

He is now back at home but is using crutches to help get around.

Jimmy Stringer, of Maryland Walk, Popham Street, Islington, appeared at Oxford Crown Court on last Monday and admitted one count of robbery.

The 23-year-old was remanded in custody and told to expect a lengthy prison term when he is sentenced on November 9.

Three other men were also arrested after the raid and will answer police bail on October 21.



Injured have-a-go hero Remzi Skepi

...and another hero frees trapped friend

WHSmith cashier Gary Hall rushed to rescue a friend from a water-filled car.

The 46-year-old got a frantic call at 5.15am on Monday, telling him that a friend was trapped in his Peugeot, which had toppled into a ditch near Ilmington, Warwickshire.

Mr Hall said: "It went down into a crevice, right in the ditch. It was filling up with water."

"He had got about one call left on the battery on his mobile. He phoned his wife

who in turn phoned me."

Mr Hall, who lives in the village, said: "It was so wedged into the ditch, I couldn't open any door."

"I managed to get my arm through to snatch his keys and open the hatchback's boot, so I could get him out of there."

His friend said: "It was filling up with water, who knows what could have happened? It could have been very dangerous. I just thought 'I have to get out there quickly now' and phoned for help."

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■ The sun comes out, the crowds packs in, the music plays and charities benefit

Pub picks the perfect day



LEFT: Singer Sean D'Oyley, with The Duckworths, get the crowd rocking at the Bodirox festival – held at the Horse and Jockey pub in aid of the Help for Heroes and Horton General Hospital charities

ABOVE and RIGHT: There were smiles in abundance from the crowd



MUSIC-lovers and families made the most of the sunny weather on Saturday at a charity festival.

Hundreds of revellers enjoyed music from local bands at the Horse and Jockey in Bodicote.

The Bodirox Festival raised more than £4,000 for charities including the Horton General Hospital and Help for Heroes.

Organiser Kevin Boneham said: "It went really well, we had about 730 people on the day, which isn't bad for a little pub."

"This is the third year we've held the event and it was just fantastic."

Enjoying the day was 48-year-old Gary Cheeseman and his three-year-old son Alfie, who recently moved to Banbury. Mr Cheeseman said: "We loved it. We used to live in Bodicote before moving to Ireland but recently came back."

"It was great for the kids, Alfie enjoying bouncing along to the music and we just had a really good family day out."



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Parents in plea for charity event

PRIZES and volunteers are being sought for the latest charity event to remember a tragic newborn.

The third annual Finnley's Day will be held at Banbury Town Hall on February 2 in memory of premature baby Finnley Froude, who died aged four months in 2010.

A total £35,622 has been raised by the family for the hospital's Support for the Sick Newborn and their Parents charity.

This included £12,483 from the two Finnley's Day events.

The family are now looking for prize draw and raffle gifts, stall holders, cake and bake items and volunteers for the day.

To help, email Finnleyfroude@hotmail.co.uk or call Luke Froude on 0771771062 or Gemma Froude on 07795234292.

Firm evacuated after danger gas alert



STAFF were evacuated from a food distribution firm because of an ammonia leak.

Banbury's Dorcas Road Trade Park was closed at 9am on Monday after an ammonia alarm sounded at Bidvent Logistics.

The alert was in the plant area on the fourth floor. Staff were moved into the canteen at the other end of the building.

Fire crews wearing chemical protection suits and breathing apparatus went inside to monitor air quality.

The area around the leak from a pipe was deemed safe and specialist maintenance engineers then moved in to fix it.

Station manager Darran Hookway said "We know that the evacuation of staff was an inconvenience to the business but there was a serious risk to those in the immediate area due to the ammonia leak within the premises."

LEFT: Police seal off the entrance to the trade park during the gas alert

InBRIEF

Groups apply for grants

■ Fifty-six entries have been received for this year's Gannett Foundation Grant.

The grant is offered by the charitable arm of the Banbury Cake's parent company.

Charities and community groups have applied for up to £10,000 in funding.

Home raided

■ A RESIDENT in Delapre Drive, Banbury, has warned homeowners to fit alarm systems after burglars smashed their way into his home through his conservatory last Thursday. A laptop, tablet computer, Xbox accessories and precious family items were lost in the raid. Mark Meadows, 38, said: "I will be buying an alarm system. That at least makes some noise, maybe that would have helped."

Wills week

■ Katharine House Hospice is to hold its first Make a Will Week next month in a bid to encourage people to leave cash to the charity.

Some 16 solicitors in the Banbury area will update or write standard wills in return for a donation to the Adderbury Hospice. For information call Sheila Norton on 01295 812161.

■ Fast food shop forced to pay £11,000 over string of breaches

Takeaway is fined over poor hygiene standards

A BANBURY takeaway has been fined thousands of pounds after it breached a string of food hygiene regulations.

The manager of Banbury Fried Chicken, in Middleton Road, Arif Hussain, 36, admitted 10 breaches of the Food Hygiene Regulations 2006.

Company director Basharat Hussain admitted a further 11 breaches at Banbury Magistrates' court on Tuesday of last week.

Magistrates fined Banbury Fried Chicken £11,000 and ordered it to pay £5,000 costs. Arif Hussain was fined £2,000.

The 21 breaches included poor

cleaning of the kitchen, failure to comply with hot holding requirements and a lack of hand-washing facilities.

Cherwell District Council's environmental health officers carried out a series of inspections at the premises, the court heard.

They found staff were not properly trained in food hygiene standards.

After the hearing, the council's lead member for public protection, Tony Illott, said: "The vast majority of food outlets in our district have good hygiene standards.

"That said, there are a few that choose to flout the regulations and

ignore all efforts to bring them into line.

"Our officers did their level best to help the owner and manager of this company to improve their standards but in the end we have been forced to take legal action.

"The magistrates noted that these were serious breaches and that the company had had 'ample time' to address the issues.

"They also said customers were put at risk by the company's failures.

"I would suggest people avail themselves of the Food Standards Agency hygiene rating system regarding any restaurants they frequent."

Caravan scheme veto overturned

A COUNCIL decision to refuse permission for 20 caravans in a field in Horley, has been overturned.

Richard Hoddinott has won an appeal over Cherwell District Council's decision at the independent Planning Inspectorate.

He wanted to put the caravans in Wroxton Lane.

Last year's planning application was for the storage of caravans, which would not be in use.

But the council said the parked caravans "would result in a significant change in the character and appearance of the site".

Wroxton Lane resident Jennifer King claimed the site entrance was "totally unsuitable" and there would be "a congestion impact on entering and leaving the village".

But the inspectorate's John Millard said:

"Glimpses may be possible through the hedging during the winter but, because of the distance of the caravans from the road, they would not appear intrusive." Traffic movements would be "small" and concerns were "not sufficient" to deny approval.



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■ Debate raises the question of armed forces visits to Oxfordshire schools

Glamorising of war?

CONCERNS have been voiced about armed forces visits to Oxfordshire schools.

Campaign group ForcesWatch organised a debate last week. It saw teachers raise concerns about the frequency of the armed forces visiting schools, after 170 visits to 44 Oxfordshire schools in the past year. Former SAS soldier Ben Griffin, who quit the Army in 2005 in protest at US troop tactics, told the meeting: "Since World War Two, there has been a conflict every year.

"There has only been one year where we haven't had a soldier die. "Is that the type of society we want our children raised in?"

Mr Griffin said he joined the armed forces after taking part in the cadets at

By Rhianne Pope

school and had served in Northern Ireland, Iraq and Afghanistan.

He believed the recruitment process of the forces relied on the glamorised vision of soldiers and the life they led.

His view was backed up by former St Augustine's (now St Gregory the Great) School headteacher John Prangley, who served in Cyprus while on his National Service.

He said: "At our school I found out the Army were invited in every year. I put a stop to that. I used to say: 'This is a non-violent school'.

"But what I do regret is not asking parents for their opinion. I think people need to know how often this happens."

He added: "When I was younger, people had been through both World Wars, they could remember what it was like.

"People are now losing that sense of where we have been and the horrors of war."

Statistics obtained by ForcesWatch show 44 of the county's 61 secondary schools and colleges were visited an average of four times in the last 18 months.

Of the 12 schools visited five times or more, one was an independent school and the rest were state schools.

However, county and city councillor John Tanner said: "I think people in the armed forces do a brave and professional job.

"Schools must have a role in dealing with the armed forces because they are

a part of life. But they must make sure to tell both sides of the story."

And Oxford Spire Academy headteacher Sue Croft said: "For some of the students it is a real area of interest to them. Whatever your personal views, children have a right to see what is out there."

A Ministry of Defence spokesman said: "The Armed Forces never visit schools for recruitment purposes and only attend by invitation from the school, who welcome us in to support school activities that form part of the National Curriculum.

"As an integral part of society and an important, highly-valued public service, these visits have proven to be of benefit to pupils, as demonstrated by the fact that the Services attend several thousand schools each year."



John Tanner

Junior fans marvel at the model train exhibition

FULL steam ahead! Little Toby Wilde, six, was fascinated by the intricate designs on show at Banbury and District Model Railway Club's annual exhibition.

He was among 1,300 visitors who enjoyed 12 layouts, including the London Underground and GWR, at Banbury Academy, formerly Banbury School, on Sunday.

Dad Chris, of South Northamptonshire, said: "He loves model railways. We have to buy more trains now!"

Club chairman Malcolm Smith said: "This was a crunch time as to whether it was financially viable to do in future years.

"The general consensus of opinion within the club was that we think we may give it another go."



Toby Wilde, aged six, takes a closer look at the layout on show at the Banbury and District Model Railway Club annual exhibition



Four-year-old Benjamin Jordan and his sister, Grace, eight, admire the trains

Notice of Public Exhibition

Land on the Western Edge of Great Bourton

An exhibition will be held at The Bourtons Village Hall, Main Street, Great Bourton (opposite the junction with Swan Lane) to enable members of the public to view the initial development proposals for the land on the western edge of Great Bourton, to the north of Main Street. The exhibition is being organised by One Property Group and Cirrus Planning and Development Ltd.

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Police to probe MP's Mercedes crash



MP Sir Tony Baldry

POLICE have confirmed they are investigating a collision in which North Oxfordshire MP Sir Tony Baldry lost control of his Mercedes car in Banbury. Sir Tony Baldry lost control of his car and crashed it into a shop, three other cars and a portable toilet, on September 7.

He had parked his black Mercedes car in Banbury and at the time said the automatic vehicle had shot off when he bent down to pick up a dropped ticket.

Despite the MP trying to regain control, the car veered through the car park, took out a portable toilet, went

over a small drop into a neighbouring road and then hit a wall of the Poundland store.

It then hit a parked van and three stationary cars before coming to a rest against a concrete pillar, a witness said.

No one was injured and Sir Tony is understood to have given a negative breath test to police. Breath tests are standard police procedure in crashes.

A spokesman for Thames Valley Police said the crash was under investigation and officers are expected to release more information over the next few days.

■ Council sets aside £500,000 for programme

Campaign to improve pupils' reading skills

By Fran Bardsley

THE gauntlet is being thrown down to the whole of Oxfordshire to help get children reading.

The Oxfordshire Reading Campaign is being launched this week to help boost children's literacy skills and foster a lifelong love of reading.

Parents and the wider community are being asked to give up their own time to help make a real difference to young readers.

There will be many ways for people to get directly involved in the campaign over the next two years.

Oxfordshire County Council has set aside £585,142 for its reading campaign, which will be run by the National Literacy Trust.

More than 80 county primary schools across the county have been invited to take part.

The campaign launch follows a string of statistics which showed youngsters were underperforming at all levels, particularly at Key Stage 1.

Education cabinet member Melinda Tilley said: "When I first took this job and realised how very low down the league tables we were, I asked if we could do some



Melinda Tilley

sort of scheme.

"It has taken much longer than I thought it would because these things move very slowly.

"Initially everyone said 'we have tried all this before and it didn't work' but this time it's collected its own set of legs and I am encouraged and really looking forward to it."

There are two main goals to the campaign. The first is to increase the number of seven-year-olds achieving a Level 2b at age seven — higher than the expected Level 2 — to 86 per cent by 2014. This represents a rise of 12 percentage points.

The other is to increase enjoyment and confidence in reading.

The invited schools have been identified using data relating to Key Stage 1 results over the last three years, and the list agreed between the National Literacy Trust and the county council.

No school will be told they must take part in the two-year programme.

But those that do will benefit from training and professional development, provided by Edge Hill University in Ormskirk, for teaching assistants, teachers, literacy co-ordinators and headteachers.

A reading intervention programme, delivered by teaching assistants in school and using the Project X Code books produced by Oxford University Press, will run alongside a one-to-one volunteer reading scheme, all working with Year 2 pupils.

And together with the work in school will be a campaign aimed at getting parents, families, businesses, and the wider community involved.

Among those who have already pledged to provide support include the National Union of Teachers, Oxfordshire County Council Fire and Rescue Service, and county libraries.

Visit oxfordshirereading.co.uk for details.

Teenager is put behind bars after attack

A TEENAGER, who punched a man in the face outside a North Oxfordshire nightclub, has been locked up.

Luke Bignell hit Joss Reed so hard he fractured the victim's cheek, leaving him unable to ever play contact sport again.

The incident took place outside the Sound Exchange nightclub in Banbury on Christmas Eve.

Bignell, 19, of Highclere Gardens, Banbury, was sentenced at Oxford Crown Court on Friday, having earlier admitted causing grievous bodily harm to Mr Reed and also assaulting Fred How.

Recorder Andrew Burrows sentenced Bignell to 34 weeks in a young offender institute.

Prosecutor Matthew Walsh said the attack took place at about

4.10am on December 24 last year.

He said Bignell, who has a previous conviction for a drunken affray, contacted lifeguard Mr Reed on New Year's Eve through Facebook to apologise.

Bignell later told police: "I do stupid things when I'm drunk."

Daren Samat, defending, said his client was "trying to put his life in order".

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Scales of Justice: verdicts handed down from the local magistrates

● **JOSEPH BUCKLAND**, 76, of Balmoral Avenue, Banbury, admitted carrying on a business as a scrap metal dealer and failing to register with the local authority on May 23 at Bretch Hill, Banbury. Fined £60 and a £15 victims' surcharge.

● **PAUL CONNOR**, 34, of Lyneham Road, Bicester, admitted stealing a pedal cycle valued at £252 in Bicester on May 20 and shoplifting three boxes of chocolate, valued at £12, from the Co-op in Buckingham Road, Bicester, on March 12. Given a 12-month

conditional discharge and told to pay £110 compensation.

● **ANDREW TALBOT**, 37, of Brookside Way, Bloxham, admitted drink-driving in Warwick Road, Banbury, on July 26. Had 81mg of alcohol in 100ml of breath, above the legal limit of 35mg. Fined £100, a £15 victims' surcharge and £40 costs. Banned from driving for 20 months.

● **PATRICK TURNER**, 46, of Sterling Court, Banbury, admitted sexually assaulting a 16-year-old boy in Banbury between February and May

2010. Given 30 months' supervision and 20 days on the sex-offender treatment programme. Put on the sex offender register for five years.

● **KALA KHAN**, 61, of Albert Street, Banbury, admitted failing to give information about the identity of the driver alleged to be guilty of an offence between November 11 and 12. Fined £350, £15 victims' surcharge, £80 costs, six points on licence.

● **SAMANTHA CAREY**, 27, of Parsley Place, Banbury, convicted of assault

by beating on November 6 in Bicester. Community order made and banned from entering any licensed premises in Bicester or Banbury for six months, £100 compensation, £200 costs.

● **ANDREA MINCHER**, 24, of George Street, Banbury, admitted shoplifting DVDs and clothing valued at £218.25 from BHS in Castle Quay, Banbury, on August 18. Given a 12-month conditional discharge and told to pay £50 costs.

● **AARON JOINES**, 25, of Well Bank, Hook Norton, admitted using

threatening behaviour in Banbury, on August 5. Fined £100, £15 victims' surcharge, and £40 costs.

● **PAUL WILLIAMS**, 44, of Gatteridge Street, Banbury, admitted racial abuse on July 20 in Banbury. £100 compensation and £30 costs.

● **LEISHA KANE**, 27, of Northumberland Court, Banbury, admitted threatening abusive or insulting words on August 13 in Northumberland Court, Banbury. Conditional discharge for 12 months and told to pay £40 costs.

■ Next year's event in doubt as Camra fails to find a volunteer to stage it

Big beer festival facing a crisis

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THE future of a popular beer festival is in doubt because a new organiser for the annual event cannot be found.

Banbury Beer Festival has been running for 12 years, but it may be the 13th time unlucky because no one has volunteered to run it.

The three-day event, held in May and organised by the North Oxfordshire Branch of the Campaign for Real Ale, attracts up to a 1,000 visitors from across the county and beyond.

It is the branch's biggest fundraiser and usually makes between £3,000 and £4,000 for its campaigning funds.

Local charities also benefit from the May event, because festival goers donate unused beer tokens, which are then turned in cash. This year the Royal British Legion got a £450 boost.

For the last two years Yvonne Hallows has organised the festival, which has about 100 beers and ciders on tap, music and Morris Dancing displays, but she has stepped down.

Branch chairman John Bellinger said: "It's important that we find someone to lead our team of volunteers before early October as we have to produce and submit a budget to Camra headquarters before the end of December and time is needed to do this."

"The only stipulation for being considered for the role of festival

By Sam McGregor

organiser is that the person must be a current member of Camra, not specifically from the North Oxfordshire Branch, although it's handy to live reasonably locally in order to carry out certain tasks, including attending planning meetings."

Effectively someone can join Camra and take over the festival the next day.

The North Oxfordshire branch has 559 members, but at a recent meeting no-one volunteered for the job.

People from as far as Birmingham, Essex, Sheffield, Reading and London attended the festival this year, which was held at the Territorial Army Centre, off Oxford Road, Banbury, and is the biggest of its kind in the Cherwell area.

One of the campaigns the branch has been backing is a call on the Government to freeze beer duty.

A meeting will now take place on Monday, October 8, at the Bell pub, in Middleton Road, Banbury, at 8pm. If no-one steps in to run the festival, a decision will be taken to cancel next year's event.

Anyone who can help should email Mr Bellinger at chairman@northoxfordshirecamra.org.uk



Camra chairman John Bellinger and his wife, Trisha, outside their pub, The Bell in Adderbury

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InBRIEF**Fundraising dining offer**

■ **CURRY** house the Bengal Spice, in New Street, Deddington, will once again throw open its doors to host a curry evening on Monday, October 15, in aid of Katharine House Hospice.

The restaurant has raised more than £5,000 for the Adderbury based hospice since it launched the curry night in 2006.

There will be two meal sittings at 6.30pm and 8.30pm, and on the menu will be Bengali curry dishes, with a variety of accompaniments.

Places cost £15 each and must be booked and paid for in advance. To book call the hospice's fundraising office on 01295 812161.

Wi-Fi celebrations

■ **CHILTERN** Railways is celebrating its one millionth Wi-Fi user since the launch of Mainline, the fast service from Birmingham to London.

As part of the launch a year ago the company, which links London and the Midlands, via Bicester and Banbury, decided to offer free Wi-Fi on all its trains.

Chiltern Railways head of On Train service, Alan Riley, said: "With Wi-Fi, our numbers increasing month-on-month we expect to reach our second million even more quickly."

County council seeks sponsors for new academies and free schools

£100m plan to build more local schools

By Freddie Whittaker

EDUCATION chiefs have unveiled a £100m plan to build new schools for 6,500 pupils across Oxfordshire to ease the pressure on places.

The county council is actively seeking sponsors for new academies and free schools to build up to ten new schools.

And they have set a five-year deadline to get the deals in place.

The authority will spend £100m – of which all of the building costs will come from private developers – on creating 4,000 new primary school places and 2,500 new secondary places at new schools near housing developments.

County education chief Melinda Tilley said: "They are funded through developer contributions, rather than through us."

"We basically have to say where we feel the new schools need to be, and we've been looking at various developments over the years."

"We have to look ahead and forecast how many places we will need and how many schools we will need."

The county has a serious shortage of primary school places. This year almost 1,000 of 7,736 children failed to get their first choice of primary school place and 473 did not get any of their three choices.

The county council has predicted an increase in primary school-age pupils from 45,800 in 2010/11 to around 50,000 in 2015/16.

These more specific figures are calculated using population growth, the

increase in the school-age population, demographic trends related to housing growth, troop movements in and out of the county's military bases and changes in the pattern of participation in state education.

The sites in the county's plan include sites at Bankside in Banbury, as well as Bicester's eco-town, Heyford Park, Barton and Grove Airfield.

National Union of Teachers representative Gawain Little said the union was supportive of the county council's main aims.

He said: "Although we're

disappointed that the Government is dictating the type of schools which have to be built, we understand the need for new schools."

"We know there has been a huge growth in the number of children, particularly of primary school age, and obviously we will support the council and work with them."

In a report to councillors, director of children's services, Jim Leivers, said: "In the next five years the authority is likely to have to procure a number of new schools due to planned housing growth."

"The Education Act 2011 determined that all new schools should be academies or free schools unless no provider can be found by the authority or Department for Education."

"The authority has embraced the idea of academies and free schools and seeks to identify the best provision it can for school places in Oxfordshire."

Oxfordshire County Council's cabinet approved plans to seek a sponsor to establish new academies and free schools across the county at a meeting last week.



Melinda Tilley:
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Community first responder, Gof Smith, checks his hi-tech medical equipment

Call to sign up as a volunteer life-saver

By Debbie Waite

THE odds of surviving a heart attack at home, in the street or at work in Oxfordshire – in fact anywhere that's not in hospital – are bleak.

Just one in ten people recover, making this county the worst in England to have a cardiac event. And every minute that passes after a heart attack – without cardio-pulmonary resuscitation, or CPR, and defibrillation – a patient's chances of survival drops by 14 per cent.

That's the stark reality revealed by South Central Ambulance Service manager Dick Tracey, the man who co-ordinates the region's band of 300 trained community first responders.

He firmly believes that more responders would mean more lives were saved and has appealed for volunteers from all

backgrounds and ages to come forward to be trained.

He said: "Our volunteers are quickly on the scene with life-saving equipment. Not only do they save vital minutes in responding to a life-threatening medical emergency, as an ambulance is en route, their early intervention can help a person to recover far quicker and to resume a normal and fulfilling life."

intervention (hospital). When all were put into practice, the pre-hospital survival rate was increased by 25-30 per cent.

Mr Tracey said: "Oxfordshire's first responders are aged between 20 and 70 and come from all walks of life.

"At the moment we have 300 volunteers in the county. But I would like to double that to 600.

"It's a massive task, and our

cardiac arrest, strokes, choking, diabetic emergencies, breathing difficulties and children, aged one year and over. But an ambulance will always be despatched before the first responder.

Mr Tracey said: "I have been working with these volunteers for over 12 years and regard it as a privilege to be involved with such a dedicated group of people. I would very much like to hear from others who are interested in joining their ranks."

To be a first responder, you must be over 18 and, while previous first aid or medical training is welcomed, it is not

necessary as full training is given.

Training in basic life-saving skills including the use of an automated defibrillator usually takes place at the ambulance service's Bicester HQ over a weekend and is provided free of charge.

For details see: www.southcentralambulance.nhs.uk

First responders increase the odds of surviving a heart attack

The concept of first responders was thanks to American physician Richard Cummins. He recognised that early intervention gave a heart attack victim a greater chance of survival.

His "chain of survival" was: early recognition (raising the alarm), early CPR, early defibrillation and early

biggest obstacle is people's misconceptions about the role. They think it's too difficult and that they are not qualified.

"But we have people fully trained by us and giving up time each month to be first on the scene when things happen in their communities – and they are saving people's lives."

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InBRIEF**£500 boost**

■ VILLAGERS have been given a £500 boost to help pay for the upkeep of Middleton Cheney Village Hall. The grant from telecommunications firm TalkTalk comes as the firm plans to invest £50,000 in broadband technology in both Middleton Cheney and Farthinghoe. Dez King, of the village hall committee, said the cash would be used to repair the hall's leaking roof.

Lesson in lobbying

PUPILS from Bloxham's Warriner School met a Government minister to press for better education throughout the world.

The five Year Ten pupils met Minister of State for International Development Alan Duncan MP as part of the national Send My Friend To School campaign.

The campaign calls on Governments to ensure 67m children get into school by 2015. He told them his department was funding 190,000 children in some of the world's poorest countries and giving cash to developing nations.

Alex Clacy, who attended with Kit Lamb, Lydia Kitchen, Kirstin Boomer and David Tucker, said: "This meeting showed that politicians do listen and think of us as important."

The Conservative MP said: "It is great to see their enthusiasm to help others. They really know their stuff."



Government minister Alan Duncan with the pupils from Warriner School

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■ Civic spending explained

Financial fears are dismissed

OXFORDSHIRE'S new finance chief has dismissed concerns over underspending and mounting reserves of civic cash.

Charles Shouler, in a financial monitoring report, told his fellow councillors that the council had underspent by £1.4m on a budget of more than £400m since April.

Concerns were raised by opposition members, who also questioned the need for a reserve pot of £170m.

Lib Dem councillor Roz Smith said: "I'm concerned about some of the underspends reported and the reasons behind some of them."

"It could lead one to think that there are services which are being affected."

"The Liberal Democrat group also believes that the earmarked reserves are already too high. £170m is an awful lot of money."

But Mr Shouler, who previously served as cabinet member for finance during the reign of previous council leader Keith Mitchell, said underspends happened when money didn't

By Freddie Whittaker

need to be spent.

He said: "Underspends are better than overspends, and if a budget is consistently underspent, then maybe that budget is too much."

"As far as the earmarked reserves referred to are concerned, there is quite a full explanation."

"The earmarked reserves, at £170m, include £29m from schools that now control their own budgets and have underspent by that much."



Charles Shouler

Events hit property market

THE combined effects of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and the Olympics has slowed the Oxfordshire property market, an expert has revealed.

Latest figures for July from the Government's Land Registry show the average price of a home stands at £240,260, a fall of 0.2 per cent on the previous month.

But year on year, values have risen by two per cent.

Graham MacDonald, director with Oxfordshire estate agents Kemp & Kemp, said: "Half of people who buy houses have to move for job or family reasons but the other half may just see something they want to buy and their decision is always influenced by other things."

"There have been a lot of distractions this year such as the Jubilee and the Olympics and that has meant fewer people looking around."



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■ Cost of stations installing hi-tech ANPR cameras is paying off

Hi-tech eyes that are cutting petrol thefts

By Oliver Evans

CAMERAS that recognise number plates have helped cut the number of petrol thefts, it has been claimed.

Automatic Number Plate Recognition cameras are one of the latest tools being used to tackle the offence of "bilking" – where motorists drive off without paying for their fuel.

Regular CCTV cameras, warning signs and a crackdown by police on car crime has also contributed, according to Thames Valley Police and Oxfordshire petrol station firms. Cases of bilking have rocketed in recent years amid an ongoing increase in petrol prices.

But new figures show these "drive off" incidents fell in Oxfordshire from 1,342 in 2010/11 to 759 in 2011/12. That's even lower than the

number of offences from six years ago, when 853 petrol thefts were reported.

A number of petrol stations across the country installed ANPR cameras to help tackle thefts and credit card fraud.

While many companies declined to say how much they had spent on such hi-tech cameras, a number acknowledged their usefulness.

The cameras register details of any car that is driven off without the motorist paying.

The information is then fed into a central system which alerts other petrol stations and the police.

One local petrol station manager, Rizwan Mohamed, believed ANPR cameras had proved an effective deterrent, with police signs warning drivers.

He said the ANPR cameras recorded number plates, flagging up suspicious or stolen plates to sales staff.

Mr Mohamed added:



"Compared to last year the number of thefts has gone down. The sign says clearly that we have ANPR and they will be trapped."

Martin Townsend, who runs a local Tesco Express station, agreed the cameras were proving effective.

He said: "The recognition systems are helping and our staff are being trained to be

more vigilant. We are following up leads and working more closely with police."

Police believe tackling other forms of car crime have also contributed to the fall in bilking.

Local police commander Supt Chris Sharp said: "We have had considerable success with regard to vehicle crime, in particular theft of vehicles, and

the detection of such offences.

"Often theft of petrol is linked to offenders who steal vehicles and number plates."

He added: "We occasionally run targeted operations to tackle the issue. Petrol stations have also played their part, with better preventative systems in place and ensuring CCTV cameras are working and recording correctly."

Hi-tech cameras are now often watching as customers fill up

Open house on railway parking plan

A PUBLIC meeting will take place at Banbury Town Hall, Bridge Street, today over plans to build a multi-storey car park at Banbury Railway Station.

Chiltern Railways has submitted a planning application to build a three-level car park at Higham Way, which will provide an extra 707 spaces.

As part of the proposal a pedestrian bridge will be built from the car park to the station.

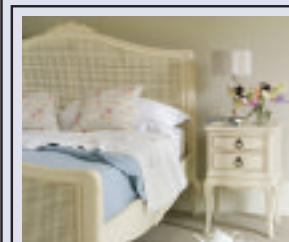
The site is currently owned by Chiltern Railways and accommodates its integrated control centre, and is the base for customer relations, train planning, and performance and control. The planned new car park will replace spaces currently provided on the Tramway Industrial Estate.

Loraine Organ, head of projects at Chiltern Railways said: "We look forward to talking through the proposals in more detail with local residents and station users. Our team will be on hand to answer any questions regarding the development."

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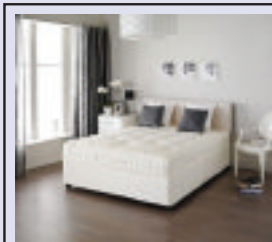
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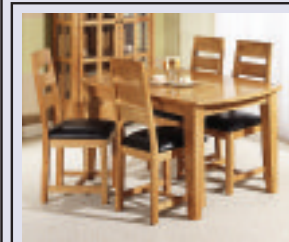
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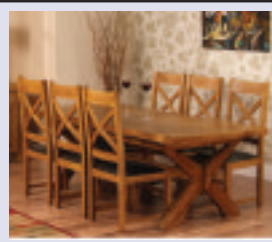
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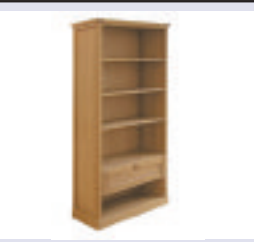
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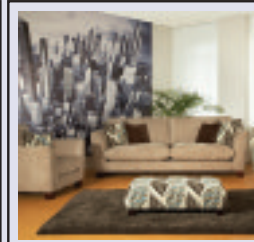
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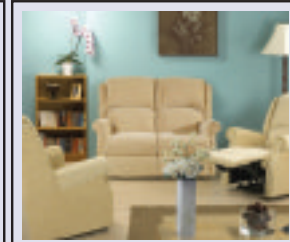
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Franker take on classic love tale

THE vigorous copulation that begins *Frankie and Johnny In the Clair de Lune* might be deemed rather shocking for audiences.

Though the couple are in semi-darkness and shielded by bedcovers, their moans and grunts leave no room for doubt about what is occurring.

But while your critic found this, and some of the sexual allusions that follow in the play, a little off-puttingly frank, the people of Chipping Norton seem made of sterner stuff.

Around me in the stalls a crowd scarcely my junior in years seemed unfazed by antics on stage, laughing when appropriate (which is quite often) with a gasp or cluck of disapproval.

Terrence McNally's two-hander is a quintessential piece of American theatre, as slickly scripted as a TV sitcom – if rather more realistic in content – and no less gripping. A hit in New York in 1987 with Kathy Bates and F. Murray Abraham, the

■ REVIEW By Chris Gray

play is well known in a film version starring Michelle Pfeiffer and Al Pacino.

The latter, not surprisingly, broadens the action to take in a wider city perspective. In the play, we are confined to the seedy Manhattan apartment of Frankie (Caroline Lawton) whither she has invited Johnny (Marcus D'Amico), with the aforementioned copulation possibly contemplated, at the end of their first date.

Both are of middle years and not especially (with apologies to the actors) physically alluring. Gradually we piece together other details about them. They are, it seems, workmates, he a short order chef and she a waitress at the same down-market diner.

Frankie has failed to make the grade on stage; Johnny loves his Shakespeare, with plenty of time

to savour it during a spell inside.

Life has damaged them in different ways, but it is Johnny's contention that pain can be alleviated through what is for him, now, their new big affair. Whether he will convince Frankie of this supplies much of the meat of the drama.

Real, funny, touching – the dialogue is beautifully written, and flawlessly delivered in bravura performances by Lawton and D'Amico under John Terry's expert direction. The only fault, not unusual where American plays are concerned, is that the characters seem more eloquent than their background would suggest they really would be.

This is Chipping Norton's first home-produced stage show, pantomimes apart, for five years. It was worth waiting for.

■ *Frankie and Johnny In The Clair de Lune*, is on at The Theatre, Chipping Norton, until Saturday, September 29. Call the box office on 01608 642350.



Lee Hurst back on the road

■ LEE HURST is back on the road, and arrives at The Mill next Friday (October 5).

Lee's brand new show *Too Scared To Leave The House* will tour up and down the country until April.

Former star of BBC's *They Think It's All Over*, Lee will cast his comedy eyes over the many end-of-the-world scare stories from Acid Rain and Global Warming to Bird Flu and Mad Cow Disease.

He will muse over the everyday dangers that face us in our daily lives. Lee believes you have a choice, stay indoors clutching a Ray Mears book or go out and laugh in the face of doom.

Lee has taken time out during his 40s to run his Backyard Comedy Club in the East End of London, but with his 50th birthday around the corner, he can't wait to get back on the road and connect with his UK audience again.

Fans have already communicated their excitement through social networking and members of the younger generation are now discovering him through their parents.

Recently Lee has added 'building developer' to his CV. He demolished his comedy club in Bethnal Green and he is developing the site into a seven-storey hotel.

Once completed Lee will reopen his Backyard Comedy Club on the ground floor along with a bar/pub. Lee's love of stand-up comedy continues and with no regular outlet for his first love he has decided to go back to what Lee loves to do the most – making people laugh.

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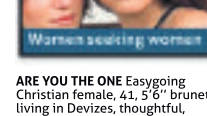
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Touching tale of a clash of cultures

UNTOUCHABLE (15, 112 mins)
Comedy/Drama/Romance. Francois Cluzet, Omar Sy, Anne Le Ny, Alba Gaia Kraghede Bellugi, Audrey Fleurot, Clotilde Mollet, Gregoire Oestermann. Directors: Eric Toledano, Olivier Nakache.

Loosely based on a true story, Eric Toledano and Olivier Nakache's crowd-pleasing comedy has smashed box office records in France and charmed audiences around Europe.

An English-language remake, reportedly starring Colin Firth with director Paul Feig (*Bridesmaids*) at the helm, is already in the works, attesting to the film's potential as a dark horse at next year's Oscars.

Dubbed by some wags as *Driving Monsieur Daisy*, this feel-good confection centres on the culture clash between a wealthy white aristocrat and a street-smart Senegalese ex-con.

Untouchable ex-cons some uproarious interludes, including a badly behaved night at the opera, and Toledano and Nakache's film is anchored by a stellar performance from Omar Sy as the jailbird, who teaches his stuffy employer to loosen up by trading Vivaldi for Earth, Wind & Fire.

However, for all its endearing qualities – and there are many – the picture trades heavily in racial stereotypes and when the laughter subsides, you're left to contemplate whether the writer-directors are guilty of crude insensitivity or flagrant racism.

I'm willing to give them the benefit of the doubt; others will be less charitable and forgiving.

Philippe (Francois Cluzet) is a wealthy aristocrat who suffers terrible injuries in a paragliding accident.

He roams his sprawling Parisian mansion in a wheelchair and requires constant care to accomplish everyday tasks.



In an opening montage, a series of eminently qualified carers apply for a position in Philippe's household but he is unmoved by their glib answers.

Uncouth ex-con Driss (Omar Sy), who has only applied for the job to get a signature on his benefits card, is a breath of fresh air.

He flirts outrageously with Philippe's prim secretary, Magalie (Audrey Fleurot), and dares to steal a Faberge egg from the hallway.

Attracted to Driss's complete lack of pity, Philippe hires the most unlikely candidate as his live-in carer.

The former jailbird takes up residence in an opulent guest room and quickly clashes with personal assistant Yvonne (Anne Le Ny).

"I bet you won't last two weeks," she predicts.

Against the odds, Driss forges a tender bond across the class divide, helping Philippe to teach his brattish daughter Elisa (Alba Gaia Kraghede Bellugi) some manners and to re-connect with the outside world.

Untouchable rests heavily on the shoulders of Cluzet and Sy, whose winning screen chemistry atones for the script's occasional crassness.

They share some lovely scenes.

Nakache and Toledano's buddy comedy provides lots of small emotional peaks, but at the very moment you expect *Untouchable* to deliver a big wallop, the film opts for a smaller payoff.

The reluctance to indulge in shameless sentimentality, which distinguishes the film, also diminishes it.

A scene from *Untouchable*, starring Omar Sy and Francois Cluzet

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And this week, we're offering a pair of tickets to see *Untouchable*, or any other film, showing at the Odeon cinema in Horse Fair.

To stand a chance of winning, correctly answer the following question:

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- c. Nigeria?

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Cypriot GP3 driver given chance as Marussia squad look for stars of tomorrow

Banbury F1 team offer test to Tio

CYPRriot Tio Ellinas is being given the chance to test for Banbury's Marussia F1 Team.

Ellinas, 20, the most successful Marussia Manor Racing GP3 driver of its 2012 Series campaign, impressed the team and many others in the series throughout his debut GP3 season, which concluded at Monza.

Despite some determined performances, victory eluded him until the 11th hour, when he demonstrated that he was equal to the pressure of the final race of the season.

He follows in the footsteps of Rio Haryanto, who has graduated to the GP2 Series, and Adrian Quaife-Hobbs in securing the opportunity of an F1 rookie

test with the Marussia F1 Team.

Quaife-Hobbs has gone on to win the Auto GP championship this year and Haryanto has enjoyed a positive debut season in GP2.

John Booth, Team Principal of Marussia F1, said: "It is important to us to not only provide opportunities for the current crop of drivers, but also to nurture the next generation of rising stars."

"Whilst we are incredibly focused on the operations of the Marussia F1 Team at Grands Prix, it is second nature to us to watch with interest the exciting and encouraging performances we see in the support formulae. Tio has done a superb job all season and thoroughly deserves the opportunity of an F1 Test."

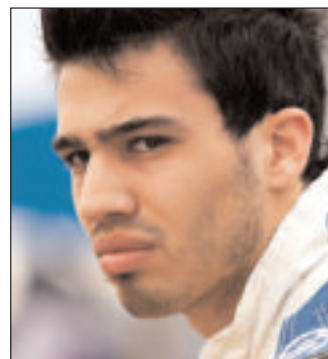
Ellinas said: "It was fantastic to win my first race at Monza. It has been a tough season, but I have learned a lot and it culminated in the success of the weekend at an amazing circuit."

"It doesn't quite seem real that I'm going to get my first F1 test."

"It is something I have always dreamed of since I was a child."

"The test should come after the season next year, so I will be well prepared for it."

"I have got a lot of work to do before then though, so I will keep my head down over the winter and work hard to prepare for the 2013 season. I really want to thank the Marussia F1 team for this amazing opportunity."



Tio Ellinas

Blossom back at Banbury

WAYNE Blossom, released last week by Oxford City, has rejoined struggling Premier Division club Banbury United.

The versatile Blossom first joined Banbury from Highfield Old Boys in 2002.

He played initially as a full back, but then turned out in a variety of positions – often up front – scoring a total of 42 goals in 296 appearances until he left in 2008.

He then played for a number of clubs including Brackley Town, Leamington, and Daventry Town, before joining Oxford City in September 2010.

Playing at centre-back, he was captain in City's promotion-winning side to the Blue Square Bet North last season.

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The deadlines apply to previously un-assessed periods of care, which occurred in the following time periods:

Period	Deadline
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Cottages offering affordable option

By Gill Oliver

COTTAGES in rural locations still offer good value for money in Oxfordshire.

The north of the county is particularly well served with such properties and buyers can take their pick from chocolate-box properties with roses around the door to larger homes offering space for a family while retaining that quintessential charm.

A three-bedroom cottage in the village of Hempton, between Deddington and Chipping Norton, is Grade II listed with a traditional thatched roof.

Well presented throughout,

accommodation includes a dual aspect sitting room with an inglenook log burner, a kitchen/dining room with an oil fired range that provides heating and hot water, a rear hall and cloakroom.

Upstairs there are three bedrooms, two of them doubles along with a shower room.

Outside is a private rear garden, a car port with storage above, an off-street parking space and access to a communal garden with far-reaching views.

Meanwhile, a larger option can be found in Chipping Norton where a four-bedroom end of terrace cottage offers plenty of potential.

The property is in need of

modernising but planning consent has been obtained to demolish the single storey extension and erect a new two-storey extension to match the existing cottage, allowing the new owner to put their own stamp on their new home.

Outside, the garden stretches to 0.25 acres and there are delightful views.

Middle Corner Cottage, Hempton, is on the market for £330,000 while No.1 Walk Farm Cottages, Hook Norton Road, Chipping Norton, is available for £300,000.

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	Toyota Avenis T3 VVTI 1.8 Dr Auto, 2006/56, Metallic Grey, air con, alloys, CD, r/lock, tints, carbon	£5499
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	Vauxhall Astra SRI 1.8 Exterior Pack 3Dr, 2006, Brilliant Black, 40000 mls, air con sport trim, alloys	£5499
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	Vauxhall Zafira 1.9 CDTI Auto Design, 2008, Metallic Grey, 34000 mls, half leather, air con, CD, alloys	£8399
	Vauxhall Tigra 1.8 Sport Convertible, 2004/54, Metallic Blue, 55000 mls, leather, air con, electric roof, r/lock	£3999
	Vauxhall Tigra 1.4 Sport Convertible, 2007/57, Brilliant Black, 31000 mls, leather, air con, alloys, CD, electric roof, tints	£5999
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	Volvo S80 2.8 T6 SE Geartronic, 2001/51, 45000 mls, leather, climate, alloys, tints, r/C/D player, rear head rests	£3899
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What can be found at this year's CANAL DAY...

Food and Drink

Banbury Canal Day offers its visitors a wonderful array of specialities to tempt all palettes.

Compton Road will again host the large European Market, and with over 50 stalls visitors can amble amongst stalls, enjoying the sites, sounds and aromas along the way.

Take time to stop off for a bite to eat at the many hot food outlets throughout the event.

Walking the canalside can be thirsty work so stop off for a variety of Hook Norton beers, available on draught and situated in Compton Road and outside the Mill Arts Centre.



Fun on the WATER

Head on down to Banbury Canal Day and be sure to take time to watch the Banbury & District Canoe Club adjacent to the bus station for their bellboat competitions.

Cherwell Canoe Club will also be enjoying fun on the water so why not try your hand in a Canadian canoe or better still watch members practice their impressive skills.

Browse the canalside and take in the sights of the many canal boats who attend year upon year. A wonderful spectacle of colour, ranging from those that can be viewed from the inside and some trading in varied goods. OR...

Take the weight off your feet Hop onto one of the boat taxis to take you up and down the canal, passing an array of decorated boats along the way. Boat taxis can be found opposite the Mill Arts Centre and at Sovereign Wharf.

Have Fun



Activities on the Day

Bus Station

Hop on board for a vintage double-decker bus ride, taking in the sights of the famous Banbury Cross and Fine Lady on a White Horse. Adjacent to the station is a day long programme of bellboat competitions with Cherwell Canoe Club. Take a browse through stalls along the canalside. Board the boat taxi from the stall area to Sovereign Wharf.

Tooley's Boatyard

Showcasing blacksmith demonstrations, engine displays, boat chandlery and dry dock. Historic walks with Brian Little from Tooley's Boatyard at 11.30am, 12.30pm, 2.30pm and 3.30pm.

Cherwell Plaza

Hosts fun fair and inflatables. Makendoo workshops can be found directly underneath the boardwalk, something to keep the younger members of the family super busy.

Castle Quay Car Park

An array of stalls offering wonderful gifts together with local charities raising valuable funds for good causes.

Compton Road

Large European Market, offering gifts, produce and mouthwatering food. The market sites itself alongside many food/ drink traders, including one of two Hook Norton beer marquees. Only one step away from Sovereign Wharf.

Sovereign Wharf

Adjacent to the entrance, a 5-hour song and dance programme with Radio Horton. Stunning displays showcasing different arts of morris dancing. Catch the boat taxi from here to take you back down to the bus station.

Spiceball Park

Enjoy horse & cart rides, inflatable fun, bungee trampolines, falconry and go-karts.

General Foods Garden

A fabulous 5-hour folk concert or treat yourself to food & drinks inside. Take a step next door to the Museum.

Banbury Museum

Offering free activities and competitions for all ages and a chance to view many usual exhibitions.

The Mill Arts Centre

Open all day offering food and drink with additional Hook Norton beer marquee. Another opportunity to watch the programme of song and dance. A special performance by the youth choir from our twinned town of Hennef. Take time to view or participate in the Tai Chi demonstrations.



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